



ACCESS MANAGEMENT

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Dear Members and Friends of the TRB Access Management Committee:

Happy New Year to all of you. I trust that you enjoyed a holiday break, have returned to your normal level of working hard, and are prepared to face new access management challenges. 2006 promises to hold more opportunities for access management successes.

The Access Management Manual has become a must-have for practitioners all over the world. In fact, TRB recently approved a request from Beijing University of Technology to translate the manual into Chinese.

The Access Management website, www.accessmanagement.gov, is getting thousands of hits each month. It has become our primary means of providing information to practitioners and we have contracted for its maintenance and upgrades to assure its continuance well into 2007. New information is added frequently, so please check the website regularly. We have Frank Broen to thank for his continuing efforts to make the website a state-of-the-art resource.

Our 2005 midyear meetings were held in conjunction with the TRB Roundabout Conference, May 22-25, 2005, in Vail, Colorado. Thanks to another fine conference effort by Phil Demosthenes, this was a very successful gathering. Conference participants and attendees should have received a CD compendium from Frank Broen late in 2005.

Here is our schedule for 2006 TRB Annual Meeting:

ADA70 Session	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Access Management from Des Moines to Beijing	Monday	Jan 23	10:15 AM–12:00 PM	H - Monroe East
Research Subcommittee, ADA70(2)	Tuesday	Jan 24	8:00 AM–9:45 AM	Hilton Edison
Outreach Subcommittee, ADA70(3)	Tuesday	Jan 24	10:15 AM–12:00 PM	Hilton Edison
National Conference Subcommittee, ADA70(1)	Tuesday	Jan 24	1:30 PM–3:15 PM	Hilton Edison
Access Management Manual Subcommittee, ADA70(5)	Tuesday	Jan 24	3:45 PM–5:30 PM	Hilton Edison
Access Management Committee (ADA70)	Tuesday	Jan 24	7:30 PM–9:30 PM	Hilton - Caucus

Please consult the TRB Program or our website for additional details on all of the above

Neil Spiller, our FHWA liaison, has made great progress in advancing Access Management. At the Committee meeting, he will address the "Domestic Access Management scan (tour)", which is now underway, the upcoming pilot of the new and improved NHI Access Management course, and the Access Management video presentation and companion primer on economic impacts to local businesses resulting from changes in access. Feel free to pepper Neil with questions about the tools that he is helping to develop for practitioners.

Also at the full Committee meeting, we will be addressing the update of the Committee's Strategic Plan and the Triennial Self Evaluation that TRB requires us to perform. Speaking of performances, Del Huntington and Jerilyn Wen will provide us with a short presentation on the "Access Rights" Synthesis 351 that was recently published by NCHRP. In addition, there will be a discussion relating to the **Committee membership, so any Friends of the Committee, who may be interested in becoming members, should express those sentiments to me using the contact information below.** Members should also expect to participate in an Executive Session immediately following the Committee meeting.

Please take note above of the Conference Subcommittee meeting. Tim Boschert will address the progress to date and the upcoming activities for the 7th National Access Management Conference to be held August 13-16, 2006 in Park City, Utah. Conference registration is now underway. You may obtain this information and see the preliminary agenda on our website.

Here's one last bit of breaking news. NCHRP just published Report 548, "A Guidebook for Including Access Management in Transportation Planning". Kudos to our members Kristine Williams and Jerry Gluck and friends Jeff Kramer and David Rose, who comprised the team of authors. This too is available through our website.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Washington, D.C. very soon.

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